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Instructions for the Reconnaissance of the Rio Verde and its Headwaters.

At a meeting in the Department of Foreign Relations at Rio de Janeiro of the Minister of Foreign Relations of Bolivia, Dr. Claudio Pinilla, and the Minister of Foreign Relations of Brazil, Dr. Jose Maria da Silva Paranhos do Rio Branco, being thereunto duly authorized, they entered into the following agreement:

Art. 1. The Mixed Commission charged with the demarcation of the new boundary between Bolivia and Brazil in Matto Grosso is also charged with ascertaining whether the so-called land mark of the source of the Rio Verde, established in execution of the treaty of the 27th March, 1867, is in reality on said river, or whether, as some persons state, it exists at the source of an affluent of the Paragua.

Art. 2. To this end the Mixed Commission, or a sub-commission appointed by the Chief Commissioners, after placing land marks at the confluence of the Rio Verde, if the old ones should have been destroyed, shall ascend the same as far as the source of the streams that form it, making a plan of the river and its headwaters.

Art. 3. If the land marks should be alongside the river Paragua and not at the side of the river Rio Verde, the Commission will endeavor to ascertain by an examination of the ground whether, since 1887, there has been a change in the upper course of the second of these rivers and whether there are indications of any old river bed leading from the land marked to the Rio Verde.

Art. 4. Any disagreement respecting technical questions which may rise between the Commissions shall be resolved in accordance with the stipulations of Article 4 in the treaty of 17th November, 1903.

Art. 5. The two Governments, as soon as they shall have studied the reports and plans of the Mixed Commission, upon this reconnaissance shall decide whether the land mark ought to be preserved where it now is or to what point it ought to be removed.

Art. 6. The reconnaissance of the Rio Verde and its headwaters may be made before the work of boundary demarcation, provided for in the treaty of the 17th November, 1903, or at the same time when that work is performed.

In testimony whereof the two Ministers above mentioned sign and seal these instructions in duplicate, each one in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, in the City of Rio de Janeiro on the 6th day of February, 1907.

[L. s.]	CLAUDIO PINILLA.
[L. s.]	RIO BRANCO.